

## Keesler Air Force Base

**Mission:** *Train, Develop and Inspire the World's Best Airmen*

**Vision:** *The Air Force's Premier Technical Training Wing  
Forging Airmen to Power the World's Greatest Air Force*

### Profile

- Location: Biloxi, Miss.
- Mission of 81st TRW and tenants: Technical training, medical, airlift, weather reconnaissance
- Established: 1941
- Acres: 1,784 (includes training annex)

### Priorities

- Care for Airmen and their families
- Train the most professional Airmen for our Air Force
- Professionally develop our Airmen
- Sustain our premier installation
- Maintain strong community partnerships

### Noteworthy

- Second largest Air Force technical training base
- Keesler Medical Center partners with Biloxi Veterans Affairs Medical Center, the Armed Forces Retirement Home, local civilian hospitals and area universities to provide unparalleled care to 26,000+ patients
- Air Force cyber training begins at Keesler AFB
- One of the largest employers in South Mississippi
- Southern Association of Colleges and Schools accredited



Keesler Medical Center

## Team Keesler Partners

- 81st Training Wing: Provides technical training to Air Force personnel, as well as members of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, other Department of Defense agencies and International partners. The wing includes the 81st Training Group, 81st Medical Group, 81st Mission Support Group and wing staff agencies. Keesler is an Air Education and Training Command base.
- 2nd Air Force: Manages all operational aspects of 2,014 active training courses attended by about 150,000 students annually. Courses include basic military training, technical training, medical training and distance learning.
- 403rd Wing: An Air Force Reserve Command unit, includes the world-famous 53rd Weather Reconnaissance Squadron, better known as the "Hurricane Hunters", and the 815th Airlift Squadron "Flying Jennies", responsible for delivering tactical airlift to combat forces and providing humanitarian relief in disaster zones.
- 85th Engineering Installation Squadron: An Air Force Space Command unit, provides worldwide, contingency and peacetime engineering and installation of cable, antenna, radio, radar, airfield and secure cyber systems infrastructure.
- Mathies NCO Academy: Delivers leadership training to hundreds of noncommissioned officers from installations around the Air Force through the premier Intermediate Leadership Experience course. The ILE course is the first of its kind and saves the Air Force money and time by incorporating distance learning and shortening academy TDY length.
- Other agencies: the Air Force Audit Agency, Air Force Office of Special Investigations Detachment 407, Area Defense Counsel, Defense Commissary Agency and Army and Air Force Exchange Services.

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## Keesler Air Force Base *Fiscal Year 2016*



## Economic Impact Analysis



81st

*Training Wing:*

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## Standard Economic Impact

The Standard Economic Impact Statement includes Payroll, Contracts and Secondary Jobs Created as set forth in procedures directed by Headquarters, Air Force.

### *Fiscal Year 2016 Data*

#### **Payroll - Military/Student Personnel**

	Manpower	Payroll
Total	7,090*	\$ 494,496,018

\*Includes student population and reservists who reside in and out of the local area

#### **Payroll - Civilian Personnel**

	Manpower	Payroll
Civil Service	1,391	\$ 114,442,419
Non-Tax Funded	331	\$ 9,322,228
BX and Commissary	254	\$ 6,099,504
Contract	1,247	\$ 65,013,577
Other	501	\$ 19,821,804
Total	3,724	\$ 214,699,532

#### **Purchasing - Local Vendors/Contractors**

Construction	\$ 22,609,999
Services	\$ 39,149,312
Commissary/BX	\$ 19,384,955
Health care (TRICARE)	\$ 20,801,339
School Impact Aid/Tuition Assistance	\$ 2,395,696
Other (Material/Equip/Supplies)	\$ 2,446,152
Lodging	\$ 10,116,993
Total	\$ 116,904,446

Estimated indirect jobs created	3,625
Estimated value of jobs created	\$ 151,485,814

Economic Impact	*\$977,585,810
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\*Mississippi State Standard Economic Multiplier is an accepted principal where initial dollars expended are re-spent again and again, creating jobs and income for businesses and other workers. A multiplier is used to determine the greater economic impact of Keesler's expenditures.

\*Standard Economic Impact with multiplier 1.38 (excludes retiree payroll and community services)

***FY 2016: \*\$1,509,184,500***

## Keesler Snapshot 2016

**10,814**

Total workforce

**3,000**

Daily student load

**29,942**

Technical training graduates

81st Medical Group  
Outpatient appointments: **615**  
Outpatient procedure: **113**  
ER visits: **100**

**5,400**

403rd Wing flying hours

**221**

Airmen deployed

**\$4.7 billion**  
in physical assets

**\$1.67 billion**  
Total economic impact

## Community Involvement

Standard Economic Impact Statement plus

#### **\*Military Retiree Population**

AL -- 6,821	MS -- 13,996	LA -- 12,310
		<b>Total 33,127</b>
Military Retiree dependents (estimated)		59,628
Military Retiree Annuitants		5,453

#### **Military-affiliated on Coast**

Keesler Military / Civilian Employees	10,814
Keesler Military Family Members	3,961

#### **\*Keesler's Total Extended**

Population	114,094
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#### **Military students in public schools**

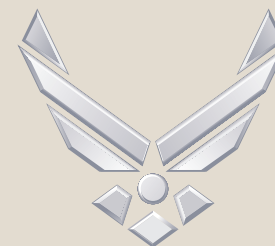
Biloxi	765
Harrison County	578
Ocean Springs	340
Gulfport	105
Long Beach	466
Jackson County	200
Homeschooled	150
Private/parochial schools	100
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,704</b>

#### **Community College of the Air Force**

Graduates	252
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Volunteer hours in community	125,403
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\*Figures taken from 2015



***Total Economic Impact  
FY 2016  
Keesler Air Force Base***